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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy to the DCI for Support

FROM: Robert W. Gambino
Chairman

SUBJECT: Resources for Personnel Security (U)

1. (U) Action Requested: Your signature on a proposed letter responding to the Secretary of Defense's comments on resources for personnel security.

2. (C) Background and Discussion: On 6 June 1978 the NFIB approved DCID 1/16 which provides policy on security of intelligence in ADP systems. General Aaron spoke to the problems the Military Services would have in meeting imposed personnel security requirements. The Board noted that the estimated \$2 million cited by General Aaron as the extra costs of investigations appeared marginal when weighed against the risks. In approving the DCID, the Acting Chairman directed that a letter be prepared to the Secretary of Defense describing the issue and seeking his cooperation in making adequate resources available to conduct the necessary investigations on military personnel. These resources are not in the NFIB.

You signed such a memorandum on 28 June 1978 (Tab A). Secretary Brown responded on 2 August 1978 (Tab B). He notes that the \$2 million cost figure was made a year ago and, in order to ensure the validity of the figure, he is querying the Department of Defense components concerned. This assessment to update the impact DCID 1/16 will have on Department of Defense investigative resources will be made available to us upon its completion. In the interim, the Secretary asks that we withhold the DCID.

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The DCID was effective on date of the NFIB approval, 6 June, and the printed version was disseminated on 2 August rendering moot the Secretary's request to withhold issuance.

We believe that any resource impact lies downstream as more computer systems are planned and brought on line. If this does not hold true for Department of Defense, we should review the provisions of DCID 1/16 to see what arrangements can be made for an accommodation while attending to the requirements for protection of the information involved. A memorandum to this effect has been prepared and coordinated with the Deputy to the DCI for Support.

3. (U) Recommendation: That you sign the attached proposed letter.




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Attachment

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